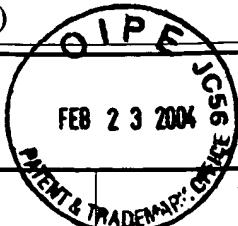


**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.

In Re Application Of: **H. Herrmann, et al.**



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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 10/28/03 above-identified application.  
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The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month	<input type="checkbox"/> Two months	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months
from: _____	1/28/04 <i>Date</i>	until: _____	3/1/04 <i>Date</i>	

The fee for the extension of time is **\$110** and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1950

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-1950

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